



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Glaucia PARANHOS-BACCALA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1648

Application No.: 09/319,156

Examiner: J. PARKIN

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Docket No.: 103514

For: RETROVIRAL NUCLEIC MATERIAL AND NUCLEOTIDE FRAGMENTS, IN PARTICULAR ASSOCIATED WITH MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AND/OR RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS, FOR DIAGNOSTIC, PROPHYLACTIC AND THERAPEUTIC USES

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In reply to the May 5, 2005 Office Action, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification;**

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims;

**Amendments to the Drawings** include attached replacement sheets; and

**Remarks.**